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NATURE OF CALL: BURGLARY ARRESTS / BOWMAN AREA, AUBURN

LOCATION OF CALL: BOWMAN SCHOOL / BUSINESSES

RELEASED BY: SGT. JOHN ADDOMS

SHERIFF EDWARD N. BONNER RELEASES THE FOLLOWING:

On 11/9/2001, Placer County Sheriff's detectives executed two search warrants on the homes of two 14-year-old Bowman area boys relating to six commercial burglaries that occurred between 8/27/01 and 9/30/01.

The 14-year-old boys, whose names and addresses are being withheld due to their age, were subsequently arrested and booked into the Placer County Juvenile Hall. The investigation identified a third 14-year-old boy and another 13-year-old boy as participating in one or more of the burglaries, and they will be referred to the Placer County Probation Department for prosecution.

The charges stemmed from three burglaries that occurred to the Bowman School, two burglaries that occurred to the Gold Link Real Estate Office on Luther Road, and one burglary that occurred at Custom Manufactured Homes. During most of the burglaries, the suspects disassembled computers and stole computer components from inside the computers; including, hard drives, motherboards, memory chips, CD ROMs, and disk drives. The suspects then reassembled the shells of the computers. Entry into the buildings varied and included rooftop entries through a turbine vent and through a skylight, and forcible window entries. The victims estimated a total of about \$9,000 in loss.

The investigation focused on the suspects after the Auburn Police Department, on 11/04/01, arrested three of the juveniles during the commission of a burglary to a commercial building in the city. Sheriff's Detective Jeff Adams was subsequently able to connect them to the reported burglaries in Bowman.

During the execution of the search warrants, stolen computer components were recovered. Investigators have not yet determined how much of the stolen property has been recovered.

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